

Appendix 1. Import Policies

Requirement	Regulation	Description
Food product registration	Resolution 2674 of 2013 Resolution 3168 of 2015 Resolution 719 of 2015	All food items intended for direct sale to final consumers in Colombia must be registered with INVIMA. Product registration is NOT required for: Natural food products that have not been subject to a transformation process (grains, fresh fruits, and vegetables, etc.) Animal-origin food products (chilled/frozen) that have not been subject to any transformation process Products used as inputs by foodservice operators or food processors for food preparation or manufacturing
Importer Registration, Import Registration, and Import Licensing	www.vuce.gov.co	Importers must be registered with MINCIT, and must obtain an “electronic signature” from the Ministry of Finance at the “Unique Window for Foreign Trade” (VUCE)
Minimum Description	Resolution 057 of 2015	Imported products shall comply with the “minimum description” requirements
Export Sanitary Certificates	Decree 2478	Importers must submit a “sanitary certificate”, issued by the food safety authority in the country of origin, for any batch or lot of “medium” or “high” risk food products imported into Colombia, including all animal-derived products such as dairy, seafood, meat, and poultry